

means for storing diagnostic application programs, said storing means comprising at least one internal and external memory coupled to said means for executing; and

means for remotely updating at least one of a diagnostic application program and a memory of said tool.

22. (New) The diagnostic tool of claim 21, further comprising:

means for displaying upgrade procedures after electronic access by a user.

23. (New) The diagnostic tool of claim 21, further comprising:

means for determining whether said diagnostic tool is valid for an update.

24. (New) The diagnostic tool of claim 21, further comprising:

means for determining whether a valid smart card is present.

25. (New) The diagnostic tool of claim 21, further comprising:

means for providing user notification of the requested upgrade.